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The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the present application:

**Listing of Claims:**

1. (currently amended) An absorbent article comprising:
  - a) an absorbent having first and second longitudinal sides; and
  - b) a liquid permeable wrapper enclosing said absorbent, said wrapper extending laterally outward from each of said first and second longitudinal sides a distance of at least about 10 millimeters to form a pair of fringes capable of being biased upward to form a pair of upstanding side walls when placed in an undergarment, said upstanding side walls forming a pair of reservoirs located adjacent to said absorbent which retain body fluid that has run off of said wrapper until said body fluid can be absorbed by said absorbent; wherein each of said pair of fringes runs the entire length of said article; each of the fringes is provided by doubled regions of said wrapper; each doubled region of said wrapper provides a fringe width which extends beyond its corresponding first or second longitudinal side of said absorbent; and each doubled region of said wrapper is attached together across its fringe width with construction adhesive.
2. (original) The absorbent article of claim 1 wherein each of said pair of fringes extends from about 10 mm to about 30 mm beyond said first and second longitudinal sides of said absorbent.
3. (currently amended) The absorbent article of claim 1 further comprising an impediment layer positioned below said absorbent and between said absorbent and said wrapper; wherein said impediment layer includes a liquid-impermeable film; and said film has a width that is less than a width of said absorbent.
4. (currently amended) The absorbent article of claim 3 wherein ~~said impediment layer is formed from an adhesive~~ both of said fringes are entirely void of any elastics.
5. (original) The absorbent article of claim 1 wherein said wrapper has first and second side edges and is C-folded around said absorbent such that said second side edge overlaps said first side edge.

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6. (original) The absorbent article of claim 1 wherein said wrapper has first and second side edges and is C-folded around said absorbent such that said second side edge abuts said first side edge.
7. (original) The absorbent article of claim 1 wherein said wrapper is spunbond and has a basis weight of from about 0.3 osy to about 1.0 osy.
8. (currently amended) The absorbent article of claim 1 wherein said wrapper has first and second spaced apart ends which extend beyond said absorbent and each end is sealed to ~~enclosed~~ further enclose said absorbent.
9. (original) The absorbent article of claim 1 wherein said absorbent has a height of at least about 10 mm and said each of said pair of upstanding side walls extend above the height of said absorbent when placed in an undergarment.
10. (currently amended) An absorbent article comprising:
  - a) an absorbent having first and second longitudinal sides; and
  - b) a liquid permeable wrapper having first and second side edges, said wrapper being C-folded around said absorbent such that said ~~second side edge overlaps said first side edge~~ wrapper encloses the absorbent, ~~and~~ said wrapper extending laterally outward from each of said first and second longitudinal sides a distance of at least about 10 millimeters to form a pair of fringes capable of being biased upward to form a pair of upstanding side walls when placed in an undergarment, both of said fringes entirely void of any elastics, and said upstanding side walls forming a pair of reservoirs located adjacent to said absorbent which retain body fluid that has run off of said wrapper until said body fluid can be absorbed by said absorbent.
11. (original) The absorbent article of claim 10 wherein said absorbent has a height of at least about 10 mm and each of said pair of upstanding side walls extend above the height of said absorbent when placed in an undergarment.
12. (canceled)

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13. (currently amended) The absorbent article of claim 10 wherein ~~an~~ a liquid-impermeable impediment layer is positioned between said absorbent and said liquid permeable wrapper and is formed from an adhesive.

14. (currently amended) The absorbent article of claim 10 wherein a liquid-impermeable impediment layer is positioned between said absorbent and said liquid permeable wrapper and is a polyethylene sheet.

15. (currently amended) The absorbent article of claim 10 wherein ~~said absorbent article is secured to said undergarment by a hook fastener~~ wrapper has an exterior surface; a hook fastener is secured to the exterior surface of said wrapper; and said hook fastener is configured to attach said absorbent article to a crotch portion of a primary absorbent undergarment.

16. (currently amended) The absorbent article of claim 10 wherein said wrapper has an exterior surface; an adhesive attachment means is secured to the exterior surface of said wrapper; and said adhesive attachment means is configured to attach said absorbent article to a crotch portion of a primary absorbent undergarment. ~~and a portion of said exterior surface has a non-skid surface that contacts said undergarment.~~

17. (currently amended) An absorbent article comprising:

- a) an absorbent having first and second longitudinal sides; and
- b) a liquid permeable wrapper having first and second spaced apart ends and first and second side edges, said wrapper being C-folded around said absorbent such that said second side edge overlaps said first side edge and said first and second spaced apart ends extend beyond said absorbent and each end is sealed to ~~enclosed~~ enclose said absorbent, said wrapper extending laterally outward from each of said first and second longitudinal sides a distance of at least about 10 millimeters to form a pair of fringes capable of being biased upward to form a pair of upstanding side walls when placed in an undergarment, said upstanding side walls forming a pair of reservoirs located adjacent to said absorbent which retain body fluid that has run off of said wrapper until said body fluid can be absorbed by said absorbent; and
- c) an attachment means secured to a lower exterior surface of said wrapper, said attachment means configured to attach said absorbent article to a crotch portion of a primary absorbent undergarment.

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18. (currently amended) The absorbent article of claim ~~[[16]]~~ 17 further comprising an impediment layer positioned below said absorbent and enclosed by said wrapper, said impediment layer being capable of slowing the downward movement of body fluid from said absorbent and including a liquid-impermeable film; and said film having a width that is less than a width of said absorbent.
19. (currently amended) The absorbent article of claim ~~[[16]]~~ 17 wherein said absorbent includes at least two absorbent layers.
20. (currently amended) The absorbent article of claim ~~[[18]]~~ 19 wherein each of said absorbent layers contains a superabsorbent.
21. (currently amended) The absorbent article of claim ~~[[16]]~~ 17 wherein said absorbent includes first and second absorbent layers and said first absorbent layer contains a higher percentage of superabsorbent than said second absorbent layer.
22. (new) The absorbent article of claim 17, wherein both of said fringes are entirely void of any elastics.
23. (new) The absorbent article of claim 1 wherein said wrapper has a lower exterior surface; an attachment means is secured to the exterior surface of said wrapper; and said attachment means is configured to attach said absorbent article to a crotch portion of a primary absorbent undergarment.